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Dear Darrick,

We are writing to support a request you recently received from the Arizona Power Authority, which has asked the Western Area Power Administration (Western) to delay until December 31, 2012, the effective date of its decision to apply the Energy Planning and Management Program Power Marketing Initiative (PMI) to post-2017 Hoover power allocations.

As you know, the Colorado River Commission of Nevada (CRC) has the statutory responsibility to receive and distribute to Nevada customers the electric power generated by Hoover Dam. The CRC has participated in the efforts to develop federal legislation to address post-2017 Hoover power allocation issues, as well as in Western's post-2017 re-marketing proceeding.

The CRC supports the legislation that has been introduced in the U.S. Congress to allocate post-2017 Hoover Power (the "Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2011", H.R. 470/S. 519). This legislation mandates an approach to the allocation of post-2017 Hoover power, which does not include application of the PMI.

H.R. 470/S. 519 has been approved by Congressional committees in both the House and the Senate, and we have been informed that it will be considered on the floor of the House next month. However, it is not yet certain that this legislation will pass before December 31, 2011.

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Therefore, we support the APA's request that Western extend the current deadline for implementing the PMI to December 31, 2012.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this very important request.

Sincerely,



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On behalf of the
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